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CMAAG ROME

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, SA

SUBJECT: SAUDI INTEREST IN LASER - GUIDANCE SYSTEM FOR TANKS

REF: A. CHMAAG ROME 210900Z AUG 75

B. USMTM DHAHRAN 231324Z AUG 75

C. USDAO DAMASCUS 250643Z AUG 75

D. USMTM DHAHRAN 301200Z SEP 75

E. SECDEF MSG 291931Z SEP 75

1. WE ARE INCLINED TO AGREE WITH THE ASSESSMENT OF USDAO DAMASCUS (REF C) THAT ANY SAUDI APPROACH TO SALENIA WAS PROBABLY ON BEHALF OF THE SYRIANS.

2. WE WOULD PREFER THAT THIS MATTER NOT BE TAKEN UP DIRECTLY WITH THE SAUDIS IN THE ABSENCE OF A DIRECT APPROACH FROM THE SAG.

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3. WE WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION TO MAAG ROME TELLING THE

SALENIA REPRESENTATIVE THAT THE SUBJECT OF GUIDANCE SYSTEMS
FOR SAUDI ARMOUR IS A MATTER OF DISCUSSION BETWEEN OUR
MILITARY AUTHORITIES AND THAT UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES AN
EXPORT SALES REQUEST WOULD BE UNLIKELY TO RECEIVE FAVORABLE
CONSIDERATION BY THE OFFICE OF MUNITIONS CONTROL.
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